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Dear Interested Party:

Recently, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Winnemucca District issued a Determination of NEPA Adequacy (DNA), DOI-BLM-NV-W010-2013-0076-DNA and a "Full Force and Effect" Decision Record (DR) for the Cyanco Fire Emergency Stabilization and Rehabilitation (ESR) Project.

This decision authorizes the aerial seeding of 517 acres of BLM managed public lands, noxious weed inventory across the entirety of the fire area, and noxious weed treatments on up to 25 acres each year through 2016. The decision to implement the proposed action immediately relies on authority under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and associated BLM regulations under 43 CFR 5003.1 (b). This project meets the determination requirement as an authorized project covered by the Act, as the project stabilizes and rehabilitates lands damaged by wildfire.

The Cyanco Fire was ignited by lightning on July 1, 2013 and contained on July 4, 2013. The fire burned 881 acres of combined public and private land, with 517 acres occurring on BLM managed public lands within the Blue Mountain Allotment and Sand Dunes Allotment. All 517 acres burned on public lands by the Cyanco Fire are classified by the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) as year-round habitat for pronghorn. Aerial seeding of Wyoming big sagebrush, Sandberg's bluegrass, and other site-adapted native plants is authorized to stabilize burned soils, provide competition with non-native, invasive annual plant species, and to accelerate recovery of wildlife habitat values.

The final Cyanco Fire ESR Project DNA, location maps, and DR can be viewed online at http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/fo/wfo/blm_information/nepa0.html. Hardcopies of these documents are available upon request at the district office.

If you do not agree with and feel that you are adversely affected by this decision you may file a Notice of Appeal (see enclosed Form 1842-1, September 2006).

If you have any questions or need more information please contact Eric Baxter, Project Lead at the BLM Winnemucca District Office at 775-623-1586.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure:

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